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FM AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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INFO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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AMEMBASSY TANANARIVE

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SUBJECT: W/W: LOST PASSPORT AND ASSISTANCE CASE

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1. THE PASSPORTS OF MR. AND MRS. TURNER WERE RETURNED BY COMORO AUTHORITIES AND THE TURNERS ARE PRESENTLY IN DAR ES SALAAM. CONOFF WILL NOT RPT NOT TRAVEL TO COMORO. MR. TURNER EXPRESSED GRATITUDE AT USG EFFORTS TO ASSIST. LOCAL CANADIAN HIGH COMMISSIONER INFORMED.

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2. SHORTLY AFTER ARRIVAL IN COMORO, THE TURNERS' PASSPORTS WERE TAKEN BY SECURITY OFFICIALS WHO PROMISED TO RETURN THEM AT THE AIRPORT UPON DEPARTURE. MR. TURNER DOES NOT KNOW IF THESE OFFICIALS WERE MILITARY OR CIVILIAN. HE ALSO DOES NOT KNOW IF ALL TOURISTS ARE REQUIRED TO SURRENDER THEIR PASSPORTS OR IF HIS AND HIS WIFE'S CASE IS UNIQUE. AT PLANESIDE ON MARCH 9, 1976 THE COMORAN DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION CAME
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TO THE AIRPORT AND INFORMED THE TURNERS THAT THEIR PASSPORTS

WERE LOST AND THAT THEY COULD NOT DEPART. HE THEN LEFT.
MR. TURNER THEN SCRIBBLED A QUICK NOTE AND GAVE IT TO THE
MISSIONARY WHO DELIVERED THE NOTE TO THE EMBASSY.

3. THE CAUSE OF THE EMBRANGLEMENT BECAME CLEAR SEVERAL
DAYS LATER. APPARENTLY THE SECRETARY TO THE DIRECTOR OF IMMI-
GRATION WENT ON A BENDER THE NIGHT BEFORE THE TURNERS'
DEPARTURE AND LOCKED HIMSELF INTO THE OFFICE WHEREIN THE
PASSPORTS WERE KEPT. NO ONE WAS ABLE TO GET IN UNTIL THE
SECRETARY UNLOCKED THE DOOR. THE PASSPORTS, EVEN THEN, WERE
NOT FOUND FOR SEVERAL DAYS IN THE SHAMBLES OF THE OFFICE. IN
THE INTERIM, THE DIRECTOR OF IMMIGRATION AND THE SENIOR
FRENCH OFFICIAL IN COUNTRY ATTEMPTED TO PLACE THE TURNERS
ON AN AIR FRANCE FLIGHT BUT THE CAPTAIN REFUSED TO ALLOW
THEM ON BOARD WITHOUT PROPER DOCUMENTATION.

4. AMEMBASSY TANANARIVE'S CABLE WAS RECEIVED BY AIRPORT
IMMIGRATION PERSONNEL AFTER THE PASSPORTS HAD BEEN FOUND
BUT NEITHER THE TURNERS NOR THE COMORANS WERE ABLE TO INFORM
TANANARIVE OF ITS RECEIPT. END LIMITED OFFICIAL USE.
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